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OTHER SERVICES

CHAPTER 8
SECTION 12.1

## WIGS OR HAIRPIECE

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## I. POLICY

Benefits may be extended in accordance with the allowable charge, for one wig or hairpiece per beneficiary (lifetime maximum) when the attending physician certifies that alopecia has resulted from the treatment of a malignant disease and the beneficiary certifies that a wig or hairpiece has not been obtained previously through the US Government (including the Veterans Administration).

## II. EXCLUSIONS

The wig or hairpiece benefit does not include coverage for the following:

- A. Alopecia resulting from conditions other than treatment of malignant disease.
- B. Maintenance, wig or hairpiece supplies, or replacement of the wig or hairpiece.
- C. Hair transplants or any other surgical procedure involving the attachment of hair or a wig or hairpiece to the scalp.
- D. Any diagnostic or therapeutic method or supply intended to encourage hair regrowth.

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